

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the last full paragraph of page 33 of the Specification with the following amended paragraph:

The exposure unit W is disposed in a space formed diagonally below the image forming unit D which is diagonally disposed. The sheet supply unit 30 is disposed at the bottom of the housing 10a under the exposure unit W. The exposure unit W as a whole is contained in a case, and the case is disposed in a space formed diagonally below the belt surface which is transported in a downward direction. A single scanner unit 21 comprising a polygon mirror motor 21a and a rotatable polygon mirror 21b is horizontally disposed at the bottom of the case. ~~In an optical system D in which laser~~ Laser beams from a plurality of laser light sources 23 modulated by image signals in respective colors are reflected at the polygon mirror 21b to deflect and scan them on the image supporters 17, and there is disposed a single f- θ lens 22 and a plurality of reflecting mirrors 24 for folding the paths of the scanning beams in the respective colors toward the image supporters in non-parallel with each other.